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## Tower EMF's feared to be cancer causing

By Paul Fucito  
NEWS CONTRIBUTOR

The campus of WPC has seen its fair share of construction over the past few years. There is the new Hillside dorms, an improved Hobart Hall, an expanded Library, and a new academic building just breaking ground. Hidden in the shadow of such giants stands an unknown metal tower that few people ever notice. Does this mysterious monolith pose a threat to students on campus?

WPC worked out a mutually beneficial agreement with PSE&G (Public Service Electric & Gas Company) allowing construction of a Radio Communication Tower across the street from the Hillside dormitory. Better known as a Trunked Electronic Simulcast System, "this 895 megahertz setup allows PSE&G to communicate with workmen in the field through radio transmitters," stated Priscilla Silverbrown of PSE&G.

In the past few months, citizens of West Paterson and Clifton have been fighting the construction of large communication towers for fear of Elec-

tro Magnetic Fields (EMFs). EMFs are created by any electrical current. Michael Casey, of the **Bergen Record**, writes that "most of the opposition centers on safety concerns." There have been some studies linking the risks of leukemia, cancer, birth defects, and other illnesses with high levels of EMFs.

According to the May 1994 issue of Consumer Reports Magazine, "the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency concluded in 1990 that 60-Hz magnetic fields were 'a possible, but not proven cause of cancer in humans.'" In addition, further studies have shown abnormal growth rates for cells and an increase in the rate of Alzheimer's disease.

Research has been difficult in the study of EMFs because it would be nearly impossible to find anyone who has not been exposed to EMFs. Since EMFs are generated by any electronic appliance, ranging from hand held radios to 500 Kilovolt power lines, we are exposed to them continuously. A successful study would require comparison between exposed and unexposed subjects. With this

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in mind the EPA reviewed their findings in 1992 and stated that there was not enough evidence to prove that EMFs were a health hazard (**Consumer Reports** May 94).

Robert McCallum, a science professor at WPC, feels that the situation is hard to evaluate "since there is not enough evidence on either side of the issue."

The only real conclusion that can be drawn from the dangers of EMFs is that there have not been enough studies to prove whether or not we are at risk.

## Schedule adjustments cause student panic

By Tom Troncone  
NEWS CONTRIBUTOR

The elimination of the "add/drop" time frame, put into effect before the Spring '95 semester, is being met with sharp criticism by students and faculty alike. The policy, which allowed students to adjust their schedule once classes began, has been replaced by a plan that does not allow the addition of classes, only their dropping.

Bud Foltyn, a sophomore, stated, "I think it sucks. I hate it. The chairperson of the language department told me that there are some classes that are open and the teachers want them [the students] to join, and the students want to get in and they are not allowed in. Students want to learn and their not being allowed to."

The lengths some students are going to just to get into classes are extraordinary. One student, who wishes to remain

anonymous, actually went to the Counseling Center and claimed to be in a state of depression just in the hope of getting signed into a class. The advice of many of the students to their peers is, since we now have flat-rate tuition, to simply register for as many classes as possible and later drop the ones that are not wanted.

Financial Aid and housing are not available to any person who does not take twelve credits. Hence anyone who registered for only twelve credits and receives financial aid cannot drop any courses or faces losing the aid.

Students, however, are not the only people who do not agree with the institution's decision. Carole Sheffield, a professor of political science said

she feels the new policy will "have a devastating effect. I had one student who went to one class, realized it was absolutely the worst class for him to SEE CONFLICT PAGE 10

## Reimbursement policy in question

Rosa Cirianni  
STAFF WRITER

The Constitution-Judicial Board (CJB) Chairperson and Student Government Association (SGA) Executive Board have been discussing tuition reimbursement policy, and reviewing a conflict, according to Tadd Butler, chairperson of CJB.

In the fall of 1994, SGA Executive Vice President, Jennifer D'Amelio developed a proposal for two amendments to be passed through the SGA Legislature.

"I didn't make the proposal because I felt that anybody was doing their job insufficiently," stated D'Amelio. "I wanted to change tuition reimbursement to make it harder to receive and for others to realize what a big decision it is. You should receive the \$1200 because you deserve it. A 'no' vote because someone doesn't like me," is biased and not the job of the judicial board, she added.

D'Amelio says she worked with Mitch Farher, Student Center Director and SGA Advisor, in producing the proposal, since the end of September

1994.

Each semester the SGA President, Executive Vice-President, Vice President, Treasurer, four club "A" representatives, SAPB President, Greek Senate President, WCRN President and the yearbook editor receive a flat rate fee of \$1,159 from the bursar's office, according to Butler.

Legislature is made of class officers, club representatives and others; Judicial Board consists of members appointed by the SGA President, Lorraine Doumato.

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**CAMPUS EVENTS**

**Monday**

**Women's Center--** Women's Discussion Group. Joan Griscom and Meryle Kaplan to discuss current events, college issues and personal concerns. 3:30-4:30 p.m.

**WPC Basketball--**WPC-TV Sports replay of games against Kean College. WPHT-TV Channel 8 & WPCN-TV Channel 19. 6 pm.

**Career Services--**Workshop: "Certification/Resume Writing for Prospective Teachers" 4:30-6:30 pm, Science 200B. Also "Interview Techniques for Prospective Teachers" 6:30-8:00 pm, Hunziker 203.

**Tuesday**

**Women's Center--**Open House. Celebrate the start of a new semester at the Women's Center Open House. 11:30-2:00 pm. SC 214.

**Bagel and More--**Open House every Tuesday in Rm. 324-5. Breakfast, discussions, open to all. Come join us. Sponsored by the Jewish Students Association.

**Essence--**General Meeting. Every Tuesday. 12:30 pm, SC 301

**Christian Fellowship--**Tony Loeffler and the Blue Angels will be performing and ministering in the PA Lounge. Come see and meet them. 5:30 pm,

**CCMC--** Give yourself a spiritual break! Join us for Mass

and bring a friend! A Rosary will be prayed before each mass. SC Rm. 215, 12:30 p.m.

**Wednesday**

**WPC Basketball--**WPC-TV Sports replay of games against Kean College. WPHT-TV Channel 8 & WPCN-TV Channel 19. 6 pm.

**Career Services--** Workshop: "Introduction to Resume Expert." 11-12:30 pm. SC 213

**Eating Disorders Support Group--**Led by a recovered eating disorder person. 7 pm. Matelson 109.

**International Exchange/Study Abroad Program--**Information Session-Study opportunities overseas. Application

deadline for Fall'95 is Feb.16. 3:30-4:30 pm. SC 215

**Thursday**

**Career Services--** Workshop: "Internship Opportunities." 11-12 pm. Matelson 104

**Sunday**

**CCMC--**Come and celebrate the beauty of the African culture at our special mass in honor of African Heritage Month. The Our Lady of Victories Gospel Choir will be featured at this joyous event. Join us! 7:30 pm. PA Lounge.

**Future**

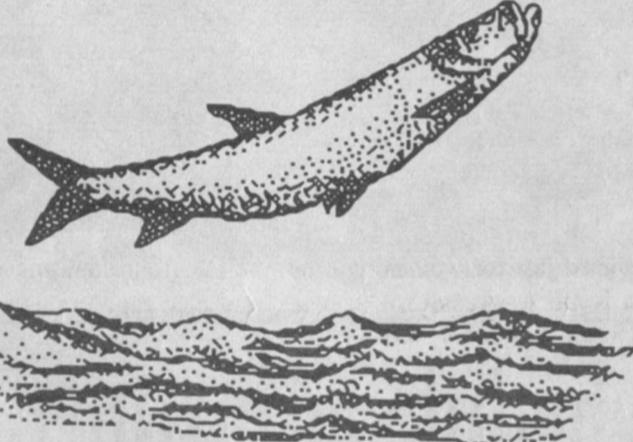
**Women's Center--**Camille Yarbrough and Musicians. African American Griot. Tunes, Tales and Survival. Feb. 13, 12:30 pm. SC Ballroom.

**Early Childhood/Elementary Ed. Club--**Come to the first meeting of the newly reorganized Early Childhood/Elementary Ed. Club! Feb. 16, 12:30 pm. Raubinger 209.

**Pioneer Yearbook--**Absolutely final chance for seniors to take their yearbook portrait. Please call 1-800-836-0558 as soon as possible to schedule your appointment! Feb. 22-23.

**Eating Disorders Support Group--**Led by a recovered eating disorder person. Feb.13, 9:30 pm. SC 326.

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# Decision still not reached on reimbursement policy for SGA members

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A memo issued by Butler, stated: "The first proposed amendment would have created an appeals committee which could override the Legislature's decision to deny a reimbursee's tuition. This is not possible because the Legislature is the highest body in the SGA. The second proposed amendment would allow a person to appeal a 'no' decision regarding reimbursement from the Legislature to the 'appeals committee.' If the 'appeals committee' affirmed the right to obtain reimbursement, then the decision would go back to the Legislature for another vote. This is also not constitutional as any person could create committees to appeal any decision, even if the Legislature never rescinds its original denial."

"It could be a popularity contest and not necessarily based on merit," says Al Pardo, SGA vice president. "we want to develop a system to fill out infor-

mation and let the legislature know what we did, so they can decide for themselves if a person has done their job or not," he added.

Doumato says, "The judicial board has up until Thursday, Feb. 9, to come up with a recommendation for SGA regarding the proposed policies."

*'The only way to do it best is the current way'*  
-Butler

Butler says he accepted a motion to reconsider the proposal on Tuesday and Wednesday and brought the amendments to Gerald Brennan, the SGA attorney to be reviewed. Brennan declared both amendments to be unconstitutional.

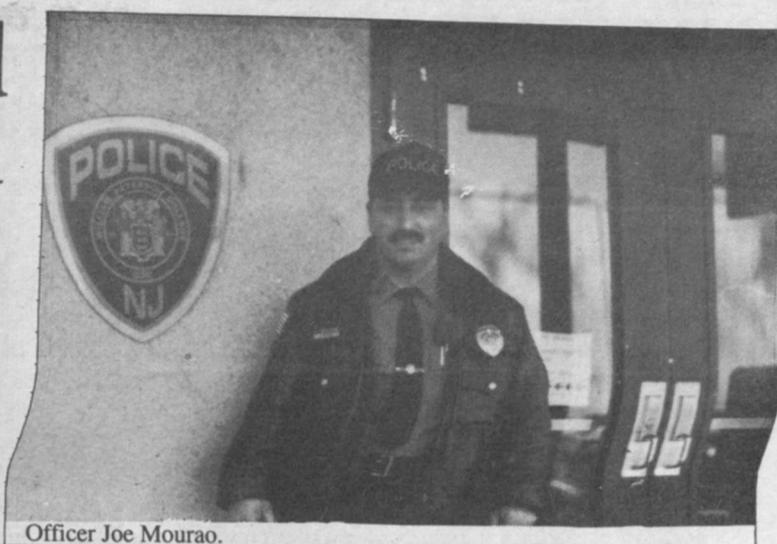
SGA spends \$18,544 per year of the student activities fee money received by students as part of their yearly tuition reim-

bursement, according to Butler.

"The only way to do it best, is the current way," said Butler referring to the tuition reimbursement policy. No one has ever been declined," he added, although "Legislature can say 'no' to a reimbursement for any of the eight students who qualify if they didn't do their job," he added.

"My job is to interpret the Constitution, so I consulted with Brennan," says Butler, who claims his name has been slandered by Doumato and D'Amelio. Butler claims he has been referred to as an "idiot," he said in an interview.

"I think it's exploded into an issue bigger than it should be. I felt I gave CJB ample time, four months, on their agenda," says D'Amelio. "I want a 'yes' to what is a 'yes' and what is 'no' to what is a 'no'," referring to the proposal and expecting recommendations that D'Amelio feels should be provided by Butler.



Officer Joe Mourao.

## Self defense to be taught at the Recreation Center

By Jennifer Mayhew  
NEWS CONTRIBUTOR

Worried about that long walk to your car after a 7-9:40 class? What about walking through campus alone at night? Officer Joe Mourao of the Campus Police will be teaching a Women's Self-Defense Course at the Rec Center.

The nine-hour course, designed just for women, will be a Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) class where women will learn basic self-defense tactics and how to avoid becoming victims. Students will also be able to put their skills to the test by acting out scenarios, such as mugging or rape, in class.

Mourao, a certified RAD in-

structor and karate teacher, wants to give his students an "all around view" on self-defense and prevention. Included in the course are basic martial arts moves and blocking techniques, which are simplified so anyone can learn and effectively use them in a dangerous situation.

In addition to the physical aspect of the course, students will learn how to protect themselves from domestic violence and date rape through prevention and awareness.

The class will be held on Fridays from 12:30-2 p.m., Feb. 3 through March 10, and on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Feb. 11-25. Registration is \$15. For more information call the Rec Center at 595-2777.

## Do you really know your neighbor? Megan's Laws revisited

By Bobi Lee Messer  
STAFF WRITER

He could be a neighbor, or even the person studying in the lounge, but resident students here at WPC will never be told if he is a sex offender. Although Megan's Laws were passed over 3 months ago, and mandates community notification of high risk offenders, these rules do not apply to residents here at WPC.

On Oct. 31, 1994, Gov. Christine Todd Whitman signed into effect a package of bills entitled Megan's laws. The bills are coined after Megan Kanka, a 7-year old Mercer County girl who was raped and slain by a repeat sex offender in July. The laws were modeled after a similar legislation in the state of Washington, and set out to gauge the risk that a sex offender may pose to their community.

The bills sparked a controversial debate, challenging their constitutionality. Howev-

er, on Dec. 20 the bills passed through the prosecutor's office.

While the bills are still being challenged in the Federal Appeals court, they remain in effect. According to a 47-page brief released by Attorney General Deborah T. Poritz, the laws promote public safety, not punishment.

"If the laws are designed to promote public safety, I would like to know their definition of public," stated freshman Kathleen Connolly.

Under the laws, when a high risk sex offender is released, the only community notified is that which the offender claims as their permanent residency. However, if a high risk offender chooses to reside on a college campus, campus notification is not required because it is not deemed a "permanent" residency.

"How can you say it is not a permanent address when they reside here nine months out of twelve," stated freshman Lauren Marion.

"Aren't we a community,"

asked Connely. "There are 10,000 people on campus every day. That is more than the number of people living in some small towns. How can they say we are not a community?"

The college, however, is not to blame for the discrepancy concerning the laws' boundaries. "It is unrealistic to think that the college would be privy to the fact that someone applying was a pedophile or a sex offender," stated Roland Watts, assistant dean of students. "Once something is brought to our attention, we can act, but we can not always count on it being brought to our attention."

Freshman Walter Mendez stated, "The problem is that society was in such an uproar that they accepted this as a solve-all. They didn't think to raise questions, such as how it may or may not affect college students."

"Well, I guess we'll just have to keep double-bolting our doors," stated Freshman Nicole Gibbons.

## New clubs added to college community

By Mike Waintraub  
NEWS CONTRIBUTOR

For many, clubs play an important role in their interaction with the college community. At WPC, clubs are meant to represent the many interests of the diverse student body. This semester brings about the addition of three new clubs: The Residence Hall Association, The Astronommy Club, and The Dinosaur Club.

The Residence Hall Association (RHA) is a new club on campus this semester. According to the club's founder and president, Alex Malino, "The purpose of the club is to encourage a sense of interest, responsibility, and participation in the Residence Halls." The

RHA will be made up of an executive council and two representatives from every Residence Hall. There will also be two commuter representatives to voice the views of students who do not live on campus.

The RHA will deal with a number of different issues such as security, overnight guest passes, and residents' rights, responsibilities and privileges. Malino stated, "Many students complained about the Residence Halls, but nothing was being done, but there is power in numbers and the RHA can and will help. RHA insures the 'student first' motto."

Malino is already working with the Director of Residence Life, Joseph Cafarelli, to im-

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# Mother Nature showers snow despite the shadowless groundhog

By Jennifer Carney  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The groundhog assured us that it was time to put away the shovels and take out the lawn mowers, but Mother Nature had a different idea in mind.

Punxsutawney Phil, one of the most famous groundhogs and accurate weather forecasters, made his yearly appearance outside his burrow on Feb. 2, to make his prediction for the spring.

In front of a crowd of approximately 7,000 people, he failed to see his shadow, assuring us that it was time to think about gardening not plowing.

Gardening was exactly what the grounds people at WPC were doing. Pruning trees, relocating others due to projects on campus, and improving campus grounds is how maintenance devoted their time during the absence of snow according to John Uriyni, director of

maintenance.

But has the trusted groundhog failed the people in his prediction for an early spring?

Just when you started to pack away those wool sweaters, 11.7 inches of snow fell on Saturday, Feb. 4.

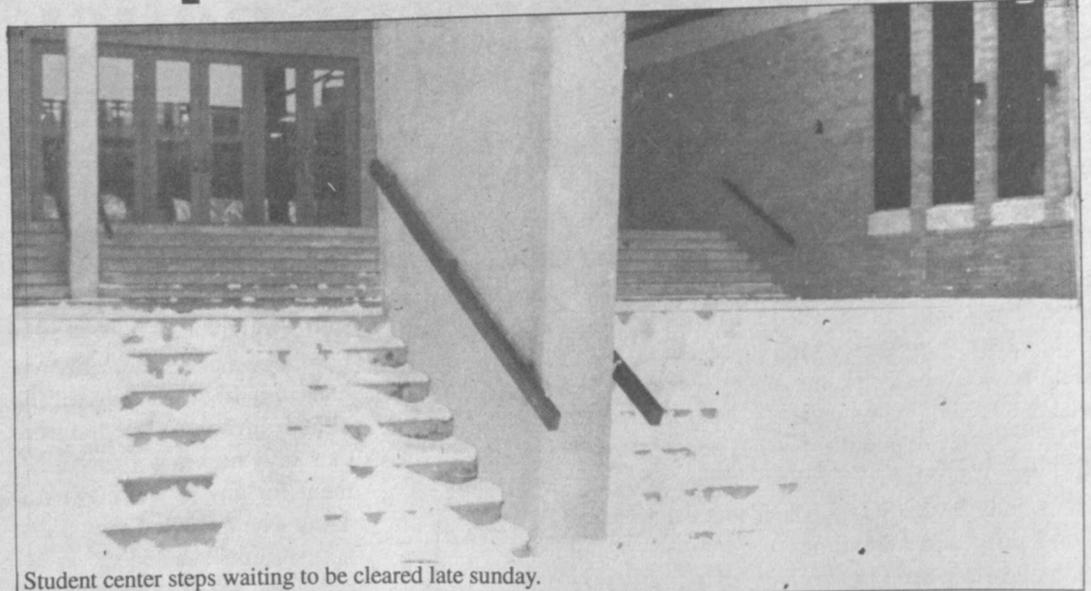
The National Weather Service had predicted above-normal temperatures for the next couple of weeks, in keeping with the mild winter thus far.

Unfortunately a cold front decided to give us a taste of the winter that everyone feared.

According to Uriyni, "the maintenance department was prepared for a winter like last year."

Students, however, felt that the maintenance department plowed cars in and did not clear pathways sufficiently.

"Cars parked in row C of lot 5 were not plowed until this (Sunday) afternoon," stated Stacy Munsey, a resident on campus. "A lot of people were



Student center steps waiting to be cleared late Sunday.

stuck."

But according to Sgt. Michael Seaman of Campus Police, snow removal crews "came in Friday night after midnight, and worked straight through until Sunday."

Wayne Police Department had reported that all roads were clear for travel and had been plowed and salted.

The forecast for this week does not offer much of the spring relief that the groundhog promised. With temperatures predicted to be in the mid to upper 20's, according to the National Weather Service, and a chance of flurries on Thursday, you better not retire your winter coats for the season.

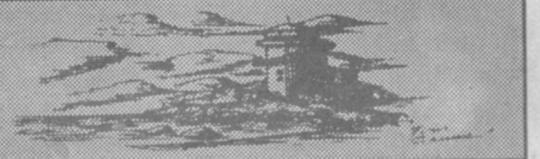
The tradition of Groundhog Day was born in Europe where

hedgehogs were used to forecast the spring.

The appearance of the hedgehogs shadows meant that insects they fed on were out and spring was ready to make its way in.

When the Europeans travelled to North America, the hedgehog was non-existent and the weed eating groundhog was used instead.

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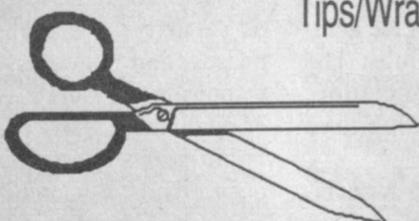
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# Handbook obsolete due to lack of interest

By Donna Kapral  
NEWS CONTRIBUTOR

explained that although the committee had met a number of times, they had never made any specific plans to follow through.

One problem is student interest, according to Mucha. No one from last year's committee is involved in the SGA this year. After all of that, the pro-

*'I think this would be in the long run a greater benefit to students'*

**-Dye**

ject has been placed on the back burner.

The committee did, however, have one meeting last year with Linda Dye, president of the WPC chapter of the American Federation of Teachers. Dye seemed to support the students initiative and felt the project to be a good idea, but was never

Last year the Student Government Association assembled a committee of five students to create a student handbook that would contain evaluations of faculty members. One year later the handbook has not even been started and the future of the committee is in limbo.

According to Tracy Mucha, junior class president and co-chair of the committee, the plan was to gather information that would help students in choosing their professors. They planned on dealing with simple, objective questions. Examples include: What is the professor's teaching style? What type of tests do they give? Do students understand them?

Mucha said that several other area colleges already have this type of evaluation handbook. Last year's committee carried out extensive research into the project but work was halted due to a "lack of interest." She

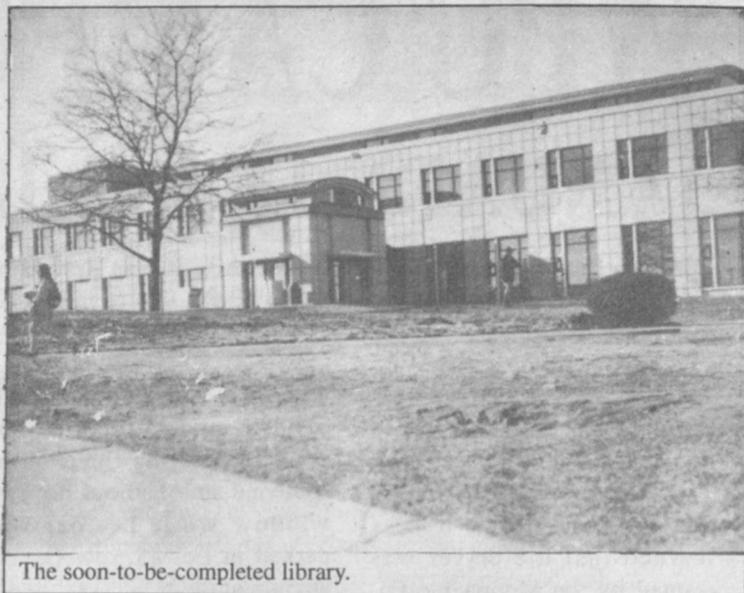
contacted for a second meeting.

Dye approximates that 25 percent to 30 percent of tenured faculty members do not get evaluated each semester. Currently, professors are only evaluated at the end of the semester, if at all. Dye, in conjunction with a union negotiation team, is currently working on a new system for evaluating professors.

According to Dye the union's position is that "evaluation and feedback are necessary to improve teaching and learning, however the process must have some safeguards so it can not be abused by the administration."

Dye is interested in developing an evaluation that would deal with some of the same questions students had in mind. She would like the evaluations to take place no later than mid-semester so professors could get feedback on student learning.

Dye stated, "I think this would be in the long run a greater benefit to students."



The soon-to-be-completed library.

## Clubs hope to spark interest for new members

FROM CLUBS PAGE 3

prove the amount and conditions of Residence Hall phones. People who are interested in participating in the RHA can call Malino at 595-2157. He has also organized meetings at the various dorms: Hillside, Feb. 21, 9:30 p.m. in the Gazebo, Towers, Feb. 27, 9:30 p.m. South Tower D floor lounge.

And if you thought the members of the Astronomy club just went out in the middle of nowhere to look at stars, you were right, but they also do much more.

The club was started by Scott Ryan, a science major who wanted to learn more about stars and thought others would like to learn too. "Every night I would get home, get out of my truck and look up at the stars, but I knew nothing about them," Ryan said.

In the future the Astronomy Club will be sponsoring trips to planetariums, and will also be bringing speakers from the Rutgers' astronomy and

physics departments as well as a speaker from NASA.

Ryan is also the founder of the Dinosaur Club and a member of the Natural Science Club. Ryan added, "Dinosaurs are not just about Jurassic Park; there is a lot more to them." Museum of Natural History in New York sponsored by the Astronomy, Dinosaur, and Natural Science clubs on March 4.

The Dinosaur club is also planning on sponsoring trips to a Bergen County Paleontological Dig Site. Julio Duran, secretary of the Dinosaur Club said, "You don't have to be a dinosaur fanatic to be in the club, you just have to have an interest in dinosaurs and their bones."

"We are a small club looking for more members to have fun with," said Scott Ryan.

If you are interested in any of these clubs, contact Scott Ryan at 772-1426 or President of the Astronomy Club and Vice President of the Dinosaur Club Kristen Breen at 791-3063.

# WPC CAMPUS POLICE UPDATE

## JANUARY 12 thru JANUARY 29

**Sunday, Jan. 15:** Sgt. A. Fasolas, while on patrol, observed a vehicle driving on college roadways with an expired inspection sticker. Upon stopping the car, the operator, a non-student, gave a false name. Through a further inspection and investigation, it was learned that the driver was wanted by the Moonachie Police Department for a series of motor vehicle offenses. The subject was arrested and turned over to Moonachie P.D. in lieu of \$1,000 in bail.

**Wednesday, Jan. 18:** A report of a theft of a sign from the Rec Center was received. The sign, a tan and brown wooden sign, stated "Rec Center."

**Thursday, Jan. 19:** A call was received from a person in the North Towers that they suspected that marijuana was being used in one of the rooms. Ptl. M. Ulrich responded and found paraphernalia in plain view in a room. Complaints are pending.

A resident of Heritage reported that sometime between the dates of Jan. 19 and Jan. 20, unknown person/s had removed the convertible top from her ve-

hicle while it was parked on Dormhill Rd. Value placed between \$600 and \$800.

**Tuesday, Jan. 24:** A female resident student reported that sometime during the evening someone smashed out her rear window while her car was parked in Lot #5, row C. No attempt at theft.

**Wednesday, Jan. 25:** A student reported finding that someone had attempted to pry open a door on her parked vehicle. The attempt took place on Jan. 23, while parked in Lot #4, row B. The time was between 7:30 a.m. and noon.

Between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., an unknown person/s stole a 1984 Chevrolet Camaro from a parking area outside of entry #1. A local alarm and also teletype alarms were broadcast.

A student reported that someone had attempted to steal his 1983 Toyota sedan while it was parked in lot #6. He stated he had parked the vehicle and upon returning he found that the drivers side door had been forced open along with the hood of the car. He found that

the steering wheel with a "club" had been removed and thrown into the back seat. An alarm device had also been disconnected under the hood of the car. Detectives are investigating.

Police were requested at an apartment of the pioneer dorms. A non-student male had come to the apartment of a girlfriend and pushed her and slapped her. She did not wish to sign a complaint but paper work for Domestic Violence forms were filed by the police department. The complainant was requested to obtain a restraining order from the Passaic County Court.

Between Jan. 25 and Jan. 26, someone broke into a game machine in the student arcade and removed \$668 in coins.

**Thursday, Jan. 26:** A female student had parked her car near the Pioneer dorm and found that

place where she had a sorority decal. The act took place between the hours of 11:30 p.m. and midnight.

**Friday, Jan. 27:** An act of criminal mischief was reported by a female student who stated that her car was scratched and two tires slashed. She has been

having trouble with another female student and strongly suspects her. No witnesses to the act.

**Sunday, Jan. 29:** At 12:15 a.m. an R.A. reported that he had observed a group of males break out a window in a room and run from the scene at the Pioneer dorm.

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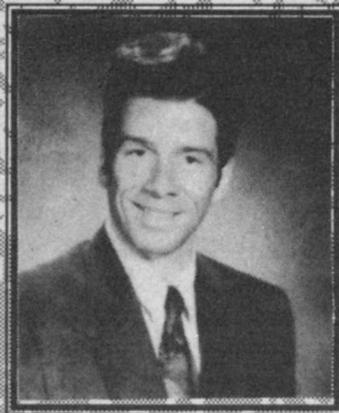
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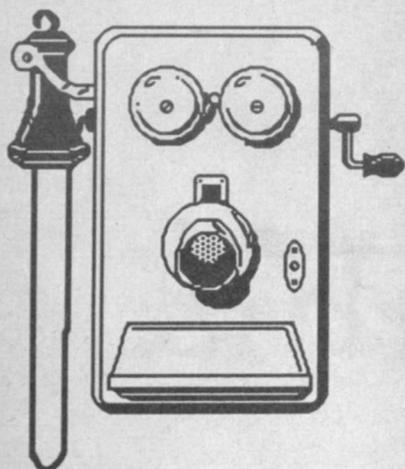
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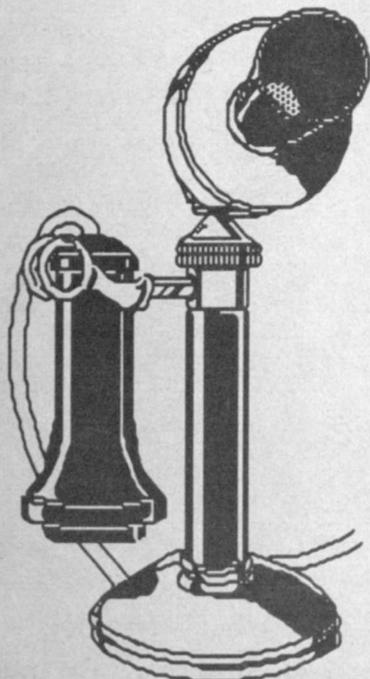
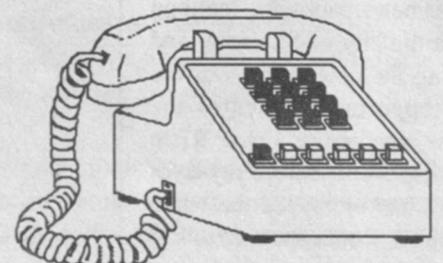
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# Conflict arises from new add/drop time frame

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take at this point [but] can't drop the course because if he does he will drop below twelve credits and lose his scholarship. I think this policy is absolutely unsound.

As a faculty member, I have always hated this three week drop/add. I think we should have a drop/add period where every class meets once so students can get the syllabus, decide if they like the class.....and that would be it." She added, "Students are now going to be signing up for classes and closing other students out who really want to be in the course and then dropping it. This is a no-brainer, it does not help students. For an institution who says its motto is 'students first,' I don't know how this policy facilitates that goal."

## Students find trip worthwhile

FROM TRAVEL PAGE 6

with what I encountered. I expected to see monkeys swinging from limb to limb, birds chirping away, and other animals roaming freely through the dense forest. To my disappointment the most I saw were working ants and trees, although an iguana did cross my path.

On a few of the tours my eyes were able to grasp the true meaning of third world. People were walking, not driving, and crammed into shack-like homes. The natives all seemed content in their land.

We ended each night winding down from a hard days work of filming at either a local bar chugging Imperial beer and doing shots of guervo (Costa Rica's own hard liquor) or dancing to Spanish techno at a discotheque. We all even learned the Costa Rican version of the electric slide.

By the last day we were all ready to kill each other. To ease the tension, we drove two hours to the nearest beach, Punta Leonia. After piecing together news packages, learning about the city of San Jose, and filming the people this was the only opportunity to enjoy the warm weather of Costa Rica. Paradise stood before my eyes as my feet embraced the white beach of Punta Leonia. The clear turquoise waters were the perfect ending to a worthwhile educational trip.

According to Registrar Mark Evangelista, however, "The change is an institutional one. The college has been taking a look for a number of semesters at program adjustments. The change is basically predicated towards academics. To get the semester on a roll. The problem, candidly, is that we were averaging about 3,800 students per semester that were changing their program.....that is too many.

Any student that had a prob-

lem with a class that was cancelled, this time as well as in the past, they were always assisted," added Evangelista.

From the standpoint of legality, according to Evangelista, the college must certify to the state that the school has provided a sixteen-week semester. He feels WPC must establish some type of groundwork and rethink what it is doing when it comes to dropping and adding classes.

"Program adjustments are necessary; program refine-

ments are not. We are not saying that this [the new policy] is the way it should be, all we are saying is that we must address the issue," said Evangelista.

At least one student, Scott Ryan, totally disagrees and has done something about it. He has begun a petition that, at press time, already had over 10% of the student body's names on it.

Ryan's response to Evangelista's claim of 3,800 adjustments is, "It is a student's right.

We pay good money to go here.....by taking the drop/add away from us, [they] are screwing around with our schedules, keeping us here longer and they're just trying to make more money off of us."

Anyone wishing to add their name to Ryan's petition should come to the Student Center on Wednesday, February 8, between 12:30p.m. and 2:00p.m., where he will have a table set up.

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## COLUMN

# Changes in law question roadside searches

By Gerald R. Brennan, Esq.

SGA ATTORNEY

College students have long been prone to being stopped on the roads by police. To stop a car, law enforcement officials need probable cause that some violation of the law has occurred. In most cases, the pretext is the allegation of a simple motor vehicle violation.

Once a car is stopped, the driver and the interior can be subject to a search, possibly yielding potential evidence for more serious charges. The practice of probable cause stops can lead to abuse and to searches and seizures prohibited by the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution.

The problems attendant to motor vehicle stops and searches have been recently brought to scrutiny by a bill pending in the New Jersey Legislature and by a New Jersey Supreme Court case decided this past December.

Currently New Jersey has a law which prohibits drivers and front seat passengers to travel in a car without wearing seat belts. The allows a police officers to ticket for this offense only if the vehicle was stopped for another violation.

Assembly Bill A-1034 pending before our State Senate would permit a seat belt violation to

be a primary offense, thereby giving the police cause to stop a vehicle if a driver or passenger is unbelted. The bill passed the Assembly on January 23, 1995.

Opponents of the bill claim that this could be used by police as a pretense for conducting constitutionally impermissible searches and seizures. Picture a student pulling out of a WPC parking lot without a shoulder harness/belt on and then being stopped by police who then search the car and the driver. Perhaps the police find evidence of other crimes, perhaps they don't, either way the intrusive searches has been compromised.

Take the case of State v. Williamson, decided by the New Jersey Supreme Court on December 19, 1994. The driver was stopped by a state trooper for making a lane change on a three lane divided highway without giving a signal. The trooper searched the car, discovered drugs and driver was charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute.

The defendant moved to suppress the evidence on the basis of an illegal search and seizure, and the trial court denied the motion. The Supreme Court noted that the lane change statute required a finding that changing lanes without a proper signal may affect other traffic, not that it actually did.

But in this case, there was no evidence that any traffic may have been affected, so the Supreme Court sent the case back for a further hearing. The Supreme Court, however, did conclude that the statute did not require a signal whenever a driver changes lanes. In other words, just changing lanes was not enough to justify a stop and a search.

The opposition to A-1034 and the guidelines of the Williamson decision indicate an awareness of the Legislature and Judiciary that perhaps police stops and searches of motor vehicles have crossed the bounds of constitutional propriety.

The larger context focuses on the exclusionary rule, which courts apply to exclude evidence with is the result of an unlawful search and seizure. The exclusionary rule has long been under attack by law and order proponents. Yet the existence of the rule seems to be the only viable way of restoring the constitutional balance between the state and the accused.

For college students, the moral of this continuing debate seems to be this: when driving, make sure all your lights work and buckle up.

Personally, I feel all parties described in the example scenarios should be terminated, but who am I to make that call without all the facts.

First, let's look at the incident this past fall concerning a security staff member (also an R.A. alternate). The person left a post and was caught with possession of alcohol. Both good reasons for termination. The ethnicity should not be considered. Face facts he deserved to be "let go."

When addressing the situation of the two female R.A.s who happen to be African-American, and got caught drinking in the dorms and were later sanctioned, the anonymous talks about being sold-out and unity. Let's look at the word unity; it consists of a team, a harmony, a state of being one. Perhaps at first the R.A. did not get documented. However, when some players are cheating, it is time to go look for new ones.

As far as the Hillside incident, an R.A. allowed a student on the restricted list in and he stayed with her. I do not know the facts, so I have no view in this matter. I just found it surprising that the anonymous through out the article used the terms "white" and "African-American" so loosely but forgot to state "the dangerous individual" happened to be African-American. One small misprint, I am sure.

The anonymous also states the point is that the African-American male who violated all of Residence Life's rules was dismissed because of his descent. Give me a break, and you claim you are not trying to raise racial tension. The anonymous is setting up a battleground for a racial war without having all the facts.

**Editor, The Beacon:**

In response to "Residence Life Penalties: Racism or Coincidence?"

To the resident who wrote this article, before you cry injustice and racism, KNOW THE FACTS.

It's not about racism in Residence Life, it's about right or wrong. I think that any person, resident or R.A. should get their just penalty for disobeying the rules. R.A.s or security staff are NOT above the Residence Life policies. Residence Life, in my opinion, does a great job in "sifting" as you put it, not African Americans; but, those who blatantly disobey the Residence Life policies rather than obey them.

One of the first instances of injustice mentioned in your letter was regarding the irresponsibility of a student security person. You failed to mention that this trained security staff resident not only left his post, but took the liberty of handing over his security staff shirt, box full of I.D.s, and security book to an untrained friend so he could go spend time with another friend.

Whether this person is of color or not, I think my security in the Towers is worth more than a little extra time with one's significant other. If you are hired to do a job, be responsible, not stupid.

You also cited a situation that occurred last semester involving the documentation of two female African-American R.A.s. Why did you fail to mention in your letter that the R.A. who documented the two African-American R.A.'s, for the consumption of alcohol in the Towers, is

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antly cry injustice and call the job, by documenting the situa- say HOORAY to Residence of the hypocritical R.A.s who for drinking and being loud zling down alcohol and being e next! Again, I say good rid- rned student," learn the facts

need to address your distorted g the white R.A. given a second g someone from the restricted g. You stated, and I quote, chance? I'll answer the ques- se she is white."

facts are a little misconstrued. dent security person was not ance or a "slap on the hand." like the student security person was terminated from her secu-

ity position. Pretty fair, I must say. No inconsistencies because of race found here.

Lastly, your comment about there being, "so very few African-Americans in these positions," is totally false. Again, "concerned student," look at the facts.

The reality is that at least 80% of the WPC population is white. The rest of the population is made up of people of color. In Residence Life, there are presently 39 Resident Assistants total. Twenty four of the Thirty nine positions are held by students of racial or ethnic minority. And out of the twenty four minority held positions, twelve positions are held by black students. This hardly seems like very few to me; in fact, I would call it rather diverse for what you call, "a racist Residence Life department."

So I say to you, please, get your facts straight before slinging any sort of accusations toward any department, or any one!

Signed,  
Concerned about the Concerned Student

## Reader has a bone to pick with Pat's parts

**Editor, The Beacon:**

I am writing because I have a serious bone to pick with you. I opened up my copy of your "newspaper" **The Beacon**, and guess what I saw on the comics page: penises. That's right, penises. I don't know what kind of paper you are run-

ning, but I am mad. Is this a professional-style college newspaper or **Schlong** magazine? Please stop running *Angry Young Naked Pat*. It's unfunny and in poor taste. You have definitely crossed the line this time.

A very offended student.

## Romans unappreciated and ignored at WPC?

Editor, **The Beacon**:

March, or sometimes better known as the Ides of March, is only around the corner. With this coming up so soon I think it would be a great idea for WPC students and faculty to support a Roman-Italian awareness month. The achievements of these great people were truly amazing. The five Latin European countries of Spain, Portugal, France, Italy, and Romania were all benefactors of these people that had brought them language, architecture, art, music, science, religion, law and much more. The extensions of the empire even went as far as England and really started the base of the British Empire.

However, it would be terrible of me not to mention who they have also affected this great country of ours, after all the Americas are named after an Italian explorer, Amerigo Vespucci. Even more interesting is that many people do not even know that our state of NJ was discovered by an Italian explorer, Giovanni da Verrazanno. In the state of LA roman law is still being practiced today. We even see the influence of the Romans in our language: romantic, romanticism, romanticize, romanseque and Romania. There is just so much to be discussed about these people that it is vital to have more programs set up to educate us about how almost every person in this college has been affected by the Roman-Italian culture. No other

people have affected history as much as the romans and all this school has to offer is a Western Civ. class that only scratches the surface of their accomplishments. We might have to wait until next semester to have one or two classes offered on this topic. If we can have a course offered to us on Haiti, why can't we have one offered to us on the Roman empire? This should be an insult to every student on this campus. Let's wake up!!!

Fred Lambardo

## Veggie choices come to Wayne Hall

Editor **The Beacon**:

Last semester, a small but vocal group of students let us know their concerns with our menu choices at Wayne Hall. They expressed a desire for totally meat free, dairy free meals. This indeed presented a challenge which we have met for this Spring semester.

It is important to note that the definition of vegetarian is not necessarily a strict one. Some vegetarians eat fish and chicken regularly and even red meat occasionally. According to a consumer research survey performed by Health Focus, Inc., a market research firm, more than three-quarters of Americans eat meatless meals twice a week. A Yankelovich Clancy Shirlman study backs up these findings and goes on to point out that 68% of vegetarians are women, and that

two out of five adult vegetarians have become so in the past five years.

The Health Focus study reveals that there are about 12 million self-professed vegetarians which appeals to many other nutrition-conscious consumers concerned about fat and cholesterol in their diets. The Health Focus study breaks down the American consumers into three categories:

1. *Vegetarian Aware* (60%) People who enjoy meatless meals but also consume some chicken, fish, and occasionally beef or pork.

2. *Vegetarian* (18%) Classic "vegan" diet which excludes animal products, eggs and dairy. There are two groups within this category: A) Ovo-lacto Vegetarian-avoids all meat, dairy products and eggs; B) Lacto Vegetarian-avoids all meat, and eggs but eats dairy products

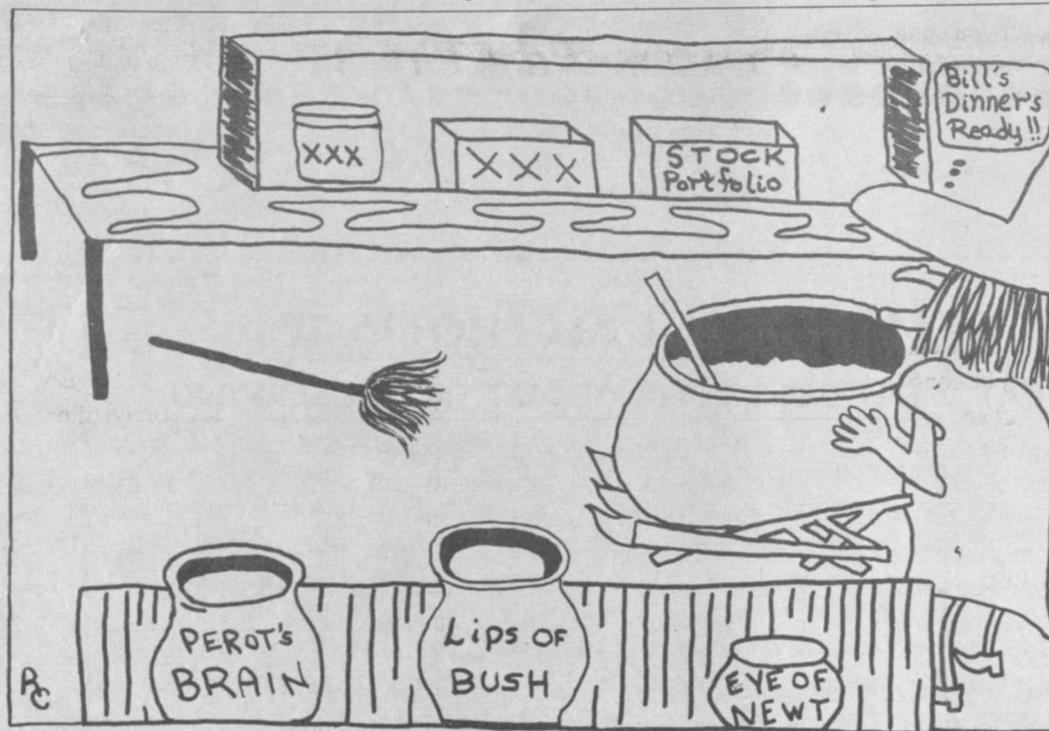
3. *Meat Lovers* (22%) Ones who do not restrict meat intake in any way.

"People are not necessarily becoming vegetarians, but their attitudes about eating meat have changed," said Linda Gilbert, President of Health Focus.

Therefore, at Wayne Dining Hall, we have put together NEW menu choices for the Spring Semester focusing on the OVO-LACO vegetarian. You will notice that in our printed menu booklet, which can be picked up in Wayne Hall, the section at each dinner meal called Strictly Absolutely Veggie Entree (S.A.V.E). It also will have a stylized heart shaped above the word SAVE for quick identification. The recipes will utilize soy protein products, beans, legumes, tofu, cheese derived

from soy (not milk), herbs, and fresh vegetables.

We sincerely hope you will enjoy these selections. Please give us your feedback and suggestions of what else we may do to make your meals pleasant at Wayne Dining Hall. Loren Shepard, Food Service Manager at Wayne Hall



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# WPC set for Met

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team," Gurka said. "There will be 65 swims and hopefully they will be 65 good swims."

The Lady Pioneers' depth goes beyond their number one seeds. Julia Moore, Julia Anderson, Maria Manzella, Bar-

bara Blake and co-captain Gail Kunneman are expected by their coach to provide strong showings in a number of events.

WPC will place a few number two seeds, including Sweetman (200 free), Cook

(200 intermedley) and freshman Megan Porter (1650 free).

Freshmen Geri Mosono and Dawn Spenard will compete in the one-meter and three-meter diving events.

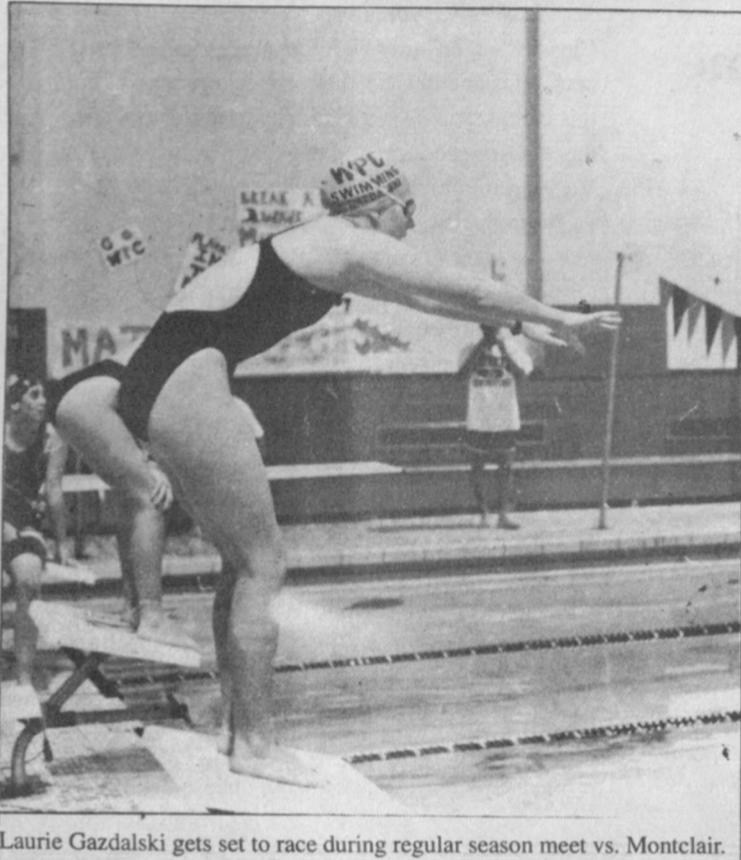
"We like to feel that we're confident and we're starting to be tapered," Gurka said. "We talk about visualizing the race before the race."

The Lady Pioneers will receive their toughest Division III competition from Montclair State University, Kean College and Stonybrook College.

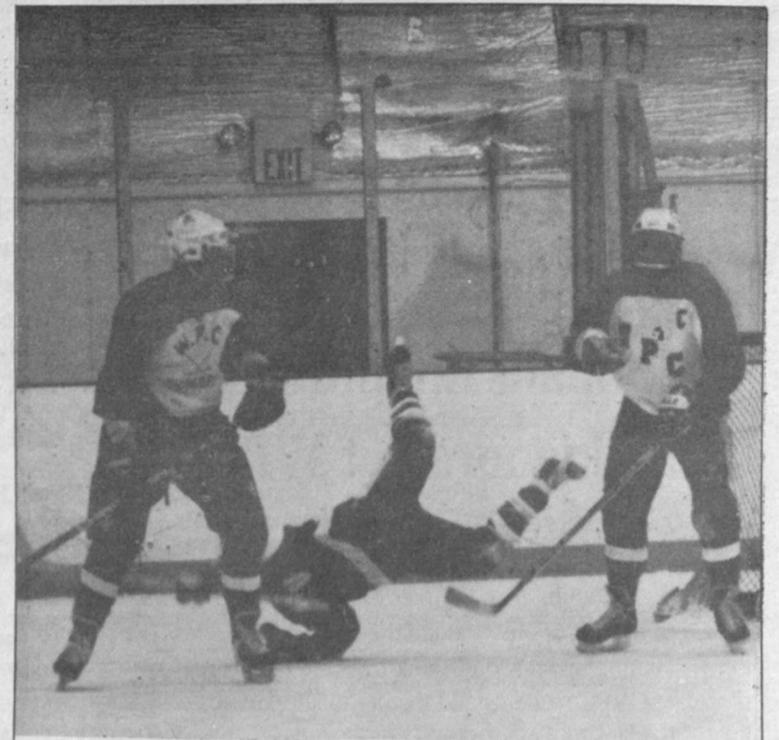
"We expect to do very well, but Stonybrook matches up pretty well," Gurka said. "Whatever hits the taper the best will prevail. It will be a good matchup; Stonybrook is swimming well."

Gurka, who refuses to look past the Met Championships, seems to be banking on a strong performance from his team. Last year, the Lady Pioneers finished third in the meet.

"It's the culmination of the whole year. We worked hard for this meet," said the coach. "I'm not going to put any pressure on the team by setting limits, but we would like to finish in the top three."



Laurie Gazdalski gets set to race during regular season meet vs. Montclair.



Jim Longo and Marty Brenner surround an NYU player who has just taken a nasty check.

## Ice Hockey in second place

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With four games remaining in the season, WPC is currently in second place with a record of 7-4-3. The next game is Saturday, February 11, versus Columbia at Wall.

### CORRECTION

In last week's ice hockey story, Jessie Lilley was mistakenly identified as Jessie Lowe, Chris Dagget as Chris Dogget, John Redling as John Redding and Bruce Baker as Bruce Brenner.

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Cook macaroni in 5 cups salted, boiling water for 15 minutes or until al dente. Drain. In a separate pot, melt butter and mix in flour over low heat. Then, stir in milk until smooth. Add cheese, salt, pepper and Worcestershire. Stir well. Smother macaroni. Serves 4.

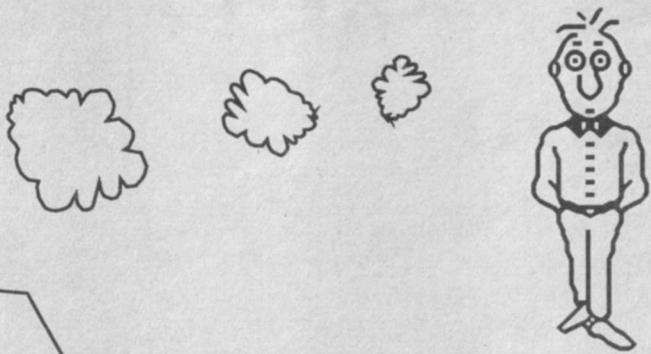


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# Marz knows her job

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helped me realize that everyone else was in the same position as I was."

It is clear now that Marz knows her job, and she does it rather well. But her job has not always been on the court. In fact, she once preferred playing soccer to playing basketball.

"Basketball didn't become my first love until junior high," she notes. "Then it started to become my favorite sport."

Marz was always very active in high school. Besides



Maureen Marz

playing hoops for four years, she also played softball for four years, she ran cross country in her freshman and senior year and she played field hockey when she was a sophomore.

At WPC, Marz has also been involved in softball and soccer, and she plans to play soccer again next semester.

But the basketball season is hardly over. The first place Lady Pioneers are 15-3 overall and 10-2 in the NJAC. Marz still has goals, and a conference championship would mean more to her than any personal achievement.

"As a senior I want to win the conference because it's a team thing and more people can appreciate it," she said. "It feels better when you win and everybody's a part of it."

So what happens next?

"My time has come and I am totally feeling my age," said "Mo", with a smile. "People tell me, 'you'll be so sad when basketball is over,' but my body just can't take it anymore."

# NJAC STANDINGS

## Men's Basketball : Women's Basketball

NJAC				OVERALL					
Rowan	11-1	.917	17-1	.944	Montclair S.	10-2	.833	13-4	.764
Trenton S.	9-3	.750	13-4	.765	<b>Wm. Paterson</b>	<b>10-2</b>	<b>.833</b>	<b>15-3</b>	<b>.833</b>
Montclair S.	8-4	.667	11-6	.647	Trenton S.	9-3	.667	13-5	.722
Jersey City S.	7-5	.583	11-7	.611	Rowan	9-3	.750	14-3	.823
Kean	7-5	.583	11-6	.647	Rutgers-Camden	8-4	.667	12-5	.706
Ramapo	6-6	.500	10-7	.588	Rutgers-Newark	5-7	.417	8-9	.471
Richard Stockton	6-6	.500	11-7	.611	Kean	3-9	.250	4-12	.250
<b>Wm. Paterson</b>	<b>3-9</b>	<b>.250</b>	<b>8-10</b>	<b>.444</b>	Jersey City S.	3-9	.250	7-11	.389
Rutgers-Newark	3-9	.250	6-10	.375	Ramapo	2-10	.167	5-12	.294
Rutgers-Camden	0-12	.000	0-17	.000	Richard Stockton	1-11	.083	5-12	.294

Next Week: KEAN, Mon. 8 pm (makeup); Rutgers-Newark, Wed. 7:30 pm; Ramapo, Sat. 8 pm. (CAPS=home game)

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## Men's Swimming

NJAC				OVERALL				STREAK		
W	L	T	PCT	W	L	T	PCT			
Trenton S. X	4	0	0	1.000	9	0	0	1.000	Won	9
Rowan	3	1	0	.750	8	2	0	.800	Lost	1
Montclair S.	2	2	0	.500	6	5	0	.545	Won	3
<b>Wm. Paterson</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.250</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.375</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>2</b>
Rutgers-Camden	0	4	0	.000	1	9	0	.100	Lost	6

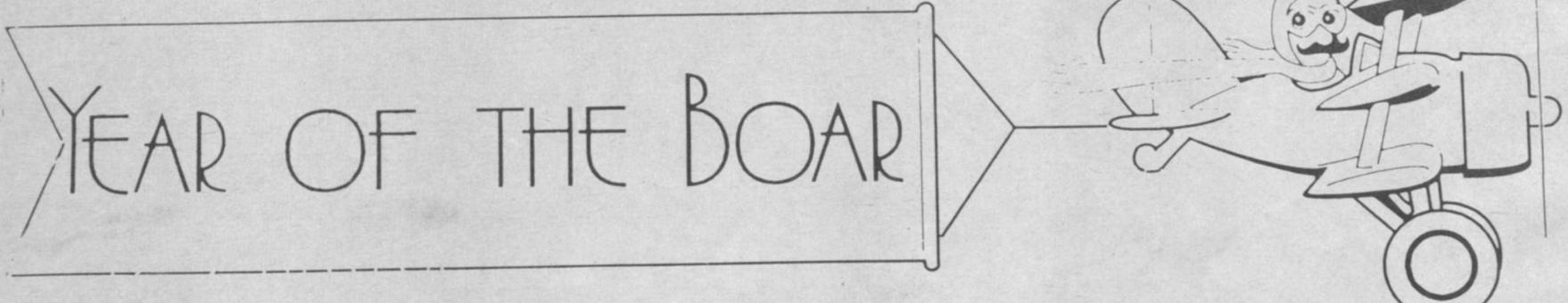
Next Week: No Meets Scheduled

## Women's Swimming

NJAC				OVERALL				STREAK		
W	L	T	PCT	W	L	T	PCT			
Trenton S. X	4	0	0	1.000	4	0	0	1.000	Won	9
Rowan	3	1	0	.750	3	1	0	.800	Lost	1
Montclair S.	2	2	0	.500	2	2	0	.545	Won	3
<b>Wm. Paterson</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.250</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.375</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>2</b>
Rutgers-Camden	0	4	0	.000	0	4	0	.100	Lost	6

Next Week: Met Championship at Kings Pt., NY Fri-Sun.

May not include recent events



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# Marz's latest achievement: 1,000 points

**Tom Stephens**  
STAFF WRITER

WPC women's basketball captain Maureen Marz has been playing hoops since she was seven years old, and she never imagined what a superstar she'd turn into.

Nor had she ever dreamed of scoring 1,000 career points in college, which is exactly what "Mo" Marz did on Jan. 28 against Rutgers-Camden. She became just the 10th player in school history to accomplish such a feat.

"I never expected to do it in college," said Marz, a senior, who also scored 1,000 points in high school. "I always wanted to do it, but in college it was the last thing I'd think I'd do."

Marz needed 19 points going into last weekend's contest in Rutgers-Camden. She came through with a game-high 24 points as the Lady Pioneers won 80-75.

There was no stoppage of play once Marz wrote herself into the record books. This was because she did not want to slow down the team's momentum in such a close game, not to mention she isn't too

crazy about being in the spotlight.

"I don't like being the center of attention," she said. "I'm happy that I scored 1,000 points, but it's not that big a deal. I'm excited inside, but I just don't like to show that."

Marz also feels that breaking 1,000 was a bigger deal in high school, when she played for Middletown North.

"In high school it's more of a feat because not everybody plays varsity for four years," she said. "You have to play varsity for at least three years to be able to score 1,000."

Marz remembers that moment in her high school gym.

"That was a very exciting time," she said. "The fans made such a big deal out of it and they stopped the game. People were throwing toilet paper on the court."

Marz first discovered she had a shot at the 1,000-point mark in college after last season.

"The sports information director (Joe Martinelli) had told me how many points I needed at the end of last year, and that I had scored more points in my junior year than I

needed. So if I had done just as well this season, then it would've happened," Marz said. "It wasn't something I liked to talk about because I really didn't want to make a big deal out of it."

Marz leads WPC in scoring this season with 290 points for an average of 16.1 points per game. Her best game of the year and her collegiate career came on December 13 against Western Connecticut when she drained 32.

"It just seemed like everything fell into place for me that day," she said. "In the three games prior to that I was struggling, and it was something I need to build my confidence back up."

Marz (1,005 points) now joins teammate Keira Haines (1,243) and current head coach Erin Shaughnessy (1,025), along with seven other distinguished members of the Lady Pioneers 1,000 Point Club.

It is hard to believe that there was a time when Marz did not think she could ever play this well.

"I remember coming in my freshman year," she said, "and we would have pick-up games right before we had tryouts. I was nervous and I didn't think I'd make the team. I felt like



Maureen Marz, center of attention for the Lady Pioneers last week.

everyone was doing so much better than me and the coach was doubting me.

"Even in tryouts I was saying to myself, 'I'll just be happy if I make the team. I don't care if I sit on the bench, I just want to make it.'"

Marz admits that, at the beginning of her college career, she was not playing with the spunk she showed in high school.

"I realized that I wasn't driving to the basket in practice

because I was timid," she says. "I felt like, 'I'm in college now, the team is already formed and I'm just an extra.' I wasn't doing the things I knew how to do because I felt it wasn't my job."

Marz fought through this doubtful period by finding she wasn't alone.

"There were six other freshmen and we became so close as friends, I think that helped us," she said. "That SEE MARZ PAGE 16



Victor Humphrey takes a shot during action against Jersey City State.

## Pioneers blow lead

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in the five-minute extra period as they prevailed for a dramatic come-from-behind 92-87 victory.

"They wanted it more than we did," said senior forward and co-captain Kevin Granger, who scored 11 points. "Everything is there for the taking, but we seem to be taking two steps back. This is the most frustrating feeling in the world."

The Gothic Knights took advantage of WPC foul trouble in setting up their decisive run. Starting center DuJuan Jones fouled out with 7:27 remaining in regulation while John Jones sat on the bench after picking up his fourth personal with 14 minutes to play.

John Jones re-entered the game in the midst of the Gothic Knight run and gave the Pioneers new life with his game-tying buzzer-beater. But he eventually fouled out in overtime, finishing with a game-high 17 points.

Victor Humphrey poured in 14 points for the Pioneers, Gerald Wilson scored 13 and Norman Greene added 11.

"It's frustrating," said John Jones about his limited playing time in the second half. "I don't like sitting down. I thought the foul calling was not good, but what can you do? We had heart to come back in the end, but we didn't have it in overtime."

The heart, in this case, belonged to JCS point guard Omar Cooper, 6-foot 7-inch center Gary Lewis and forward Abdul Madison.

Cooper buried a three-pointer at the start of the overtime and finished with 21 points. Madison scored 23 points and was the leading scorer in overtime with five, all on free throws, and Lewis scored on a pivotal put-back of a Jersey City miss to extend his team's lead to 86-81 with 1:26 remaining in OT.

"The biggest key of the whole game was foul trouble and fouling out," said coach Jerry Dallessio about his team's breakdown.

"It was also aggressive defense on their part and mistakes on our part," he continued. "We had too many turnovers from about the six-minute mark

and we missed shots from underneath the basket. Lewis (10 points) played the best game I've seen him play.

"I have to give our guys credit. We played three freshmen in overtime and they had to play out of position because of our key guys fouling out. It was the first time they were in a pressure situation and they did a great job."

By losing a lot of close games to great teams, the Pioneers have sent a formidable message to the conference this season. Competitiveness will definitely churn out positive results that will bring the WPC men's basketball program to the next level: winning consistently.

"We've been on the cusp of winning in every game," Dallessio said. "You're looking at a team that will knock on the door for a playoff spot. I've seen improvement individually and as a team. We're exceeding further along in our program development than our record suggests."

## Intramurals beginning

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**A person makes time when he**

**wants to--** A-men/Baby Heart (KW) Labor Day 9087, Love, trust, honesty, communication, faith, respect, loyalty, and being with each other in good and bad times is what makes us a successful, fulfilling relationship - friendship situation. We had our rocky roads, misunderstandings, stubbornness, misjudgements, but we came a long way baby. You are very

special to me. I will not allow anything to get between us because you mean too much. I knew when we met, our hearts held together. I want us to go out when we can and always stimulate growth. I would like you to acknowledge my presence instead of looking so deep into the TV, newspaper or magazine. At the same time, I don't expect you to drool over me either. Of course we can be stubborn but we have responsibilities to deal with each other. Last of all I support your music 100%. Patiently, I'm standing behind you. It takes a lot of time, but I knew you had it in you. Remember I will always love you forever & never forget it, **Love Nicky**

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**Terre, Nicole, & Sally D PHI E--** I love our tree - Let's keep it growing strong. "We R family." **Love Ally D PHI E**  
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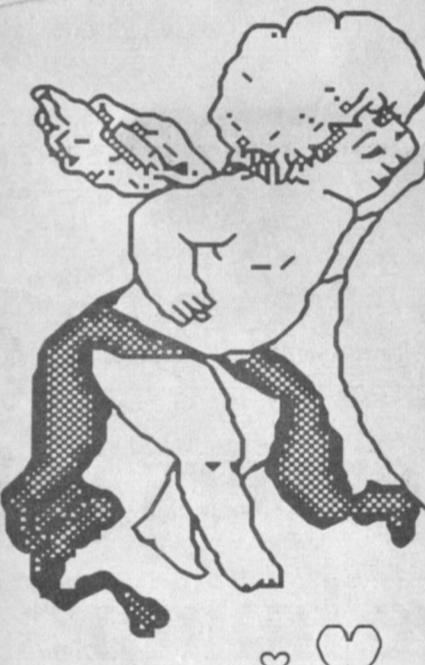
life you are with me. I want this short prayer to thank you for all things and to confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you, even and in spite of all material illusion. I wish to be with you in eternal Glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. The person must say this prayer for 3 consecutive days. After 3 days the favor requested will be granted even if it may appear difficult. This prayer must be published immediately after the favor is granted without mentioning the favor, only your initial should appear at the bottom.-**K.N.S.C.**

**St. Jude-** O Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles near kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke you special patronage in time of need to you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has give such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present urgent petition. In return I promise to make you name known and cause you to be invoked. Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and Glorias. Publication must be promised. St. Jude pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen. This Novena has never been known to fail. This Novena must be said for 9 consecutive days.- **K.N.S.C.**

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# The Beacon Sports

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## Swimmers ready for championship meet

**Jeremy Singer**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The WPC women's swim team did more than just hold its own in the New Jersey Athletic Conference during the regular season.

The Lady Pioneers finished their dual meet schedule 11-3, 2-2 in the NJAC. Now, they are preparing to take their toughest test of the season.

WPC will be competing with over a dozen teams representing Divisions I, II and III in the Met Championships, Feb. 10-12 at the U.S. Merchant

Marine Academy in Kings Point, N.Y.

A strong showing by WPC in this championship meet could give the Lady Pioneers a place in the Division III Nationals, which will take place later this winter.

"Our goal is for our seniors to swim their fastest times," said coach Ed Gurka. "If that happens, we feel we've accomplished what we set our sights on."

WPC will boast 14 number one seeds in the meet.

Five-time All-American and senior co-captain Laurie

Gazdolski is seeded first in the 50-meter freestyle, the 100 freestyle, the 50 butterfly and the 100 butterfly.

Senior Liz Sweetman is top seed in the 500 free and the 1650 free. Freshman Jennifer Cook is seeded first in both the 100 and 200 backstroke events.

Sophomore Traci Matus is number one seed in both the 100 and 200 breaststroke events.

Four of WPC's five relay teams are seeded at the top.

"I'm not going to put limits on what we can do as a



Women's swim team members confer before a meet in the regular season.

## WPC frustrated by loss

**Joe Ragozzino**  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

If competitiveness counted for something in the New Jersey Athletic Conference, the WPC men's basketball team would certainly be considered a legitimate contender for the NJAC championship.

Unfortunately, it's the win column that matters the most, and the Pioneers have only an 8-11 mark, 3-10 in the conference, to show for their mettle.

Other than two humbling losses to Rowan College (115-73 on Nov. 29, 107-77 on Jan. 21), WPC has gone for the jugernaut against high-caliber conference foes, attested by a one-point loss to Ramapo Col-

lege Dec. 10, a 116-108 overtime loss to Kean College Dec. 3, an 85-80 loss to Trenton State College Jan. 14 and an 88-84 loss to Jersey City State College Jan. 11.

On Jan. 25, the Pioneers dropped an 81-79 decision to Richard Stockton College, a team that qualified for the NCAA Division III playoffs and could emerge as a threat to dethrone powerhouse Rowan as conference champs.

WPC regrouped three days later to defeat Rutgers-Camden by a staggering 86-69 outcome Jan. 28 on the road, snapping a six-game losing streak in the process.

The Pioneers were set to

enjoy their biggest win of the year against Jersey City on Wednesday at the Rec Center as they held a commanding 69-53 lead with under eight minutes to go in the game.

Then came the collapse.

The Gothic Knights went on a dominating 19-1 run to capture their first lead of the game since a mild 4-0 margin at the 17-minute mark of the first half.

The Pioneers would never lead again, although they did send the game into overtime on a last-second tip-in by sophomore forward John Jones which tied the game at 77.

But it was all Jersey City  
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### Lady Pioneers keep rolling



Joanne Mabes sinks a shot against Jersey City State on Wednesday. The Lady Pioneers won 64-51. Four days earlier, Mabes' teammate Maureen Marz scored the 1,000th point of her collegiate career. See story on page 18.

## Will Pioneers get over the hump?

Inconsistency is the word for the WPC ice hockey team.

After losing to a fourth place New York University team last Saturday, the Pioneers came back with a victory over second place Pace the following day. With the 7-4 victory, WPC took over second place, only one point behind C.W. Post.

A big reason for the win over Pace was the new line of Marty Brenner, Dennis Ruppe, and Scott Yancek. The line scored six of the seven goals: Yancek (3), Brenner (2), Ruppe (1). Joe Albanese also scored in the game.

On Friday, the Pioneers travelled to Syosset to face off against C.W. Post in a battle for first place. Although WPC defeated Post in their previous

match-up, they were unable to repeat, and lost 6-2.

Post opened the scoring six minutes into the game, and never trailed. Ruppe evened the score with an assist from Brenner two minutes after Post's initial goal, but Post answered right back, making the score 2-1.

With one minute remaining in the first period, the Pioneers tied the score on a goal by Emil Rascher, with an assist going to John Redding.

In the second period WPC fell apart, allowing Post to score three unanswered goals. Post added another goal in the third period, winning easily despite the spectacular goal tending of the Pioneers' Keith Konzelmann.

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# THE INSIDER

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# Heritage Month Begins With A Bang

By D.L. Green  
INSIDER CONTRIBUTOR

Take a journey to a place that may seem unfamiliar to you. Listen to the beat of drums and stamping of feet. Listen to the sound of rejoicing from dancers garbed in brilliant colors and intricate designs. Journey with me to

a place where rhythm is the soul of life.

If one attended the opening ceremony of WPC's 1995 African Heritage Month, the journey wasn't far. On Feb. 1, WPC was graced by the presence of world-renowned percussionist, Babatunde Olatunji.

Olatunji, a virtuoso of West African

percussion, drums and rhythm, has been called the "Master of Drums." His album, *Drums of Passion*, has sold over five million copies and he has performed at Radio City Music Hall and on "The Tonight Show." Also the co-author of **African Musical Instruments**, he has scored the stage and screen versions of *A Raisin in the Sun*, as well as assisting the making of the soundtrack for Spike Lee's *She's Gotta Have It*.

Olatunji and his troupe, **Drums of Passion**, entered the Student Center Ballroom in a processional of drums, dancing, chanting, and African spirit. From the first sound of his soft-spoken voice, one knew Olatunji was more than just an entertainer; he was magic.

Olatunji did more than just perform; he taught about life. Stressing that heritage belonged to everyone and if that heritage is lost, a person

loses 75% of themselves.

Giving a demonstration on tree drums and showing the link between African chanting and jazz scatting, the scene stealer was the 1st upright flute made by Olatunji's two hands placed together.

I was amazed when I heard him play "Lift Every Voice and Sing" on his bare hands. From the opening "Ajaja" (highest spirit) to the harvesting of "Odunde," to the final "Ile Re", Olatunji held the audience of WPC audience enraptured. Never was there a dull moment as Olatunji led the crowd from dance to dance with grandfatherly wisdom and advice on the importance of will, saying, "Only will is great and may all others fall before it. Talent is nothing without will."

Olatunji and **Drums of Passion** was more than just a show. It was an experience.



(l-r) Babatunde Olatunji, a well-wisher, and a dancer

## Chuck D.'s promising rookie league

By Rodney P. Cauthen  
INSIDER CONTRIBUTOR

**Various Artists**  
*Destroy All Masters*  
(Wreck League)

Chuck D., one of the founding members of controversial rap group **Public Enemy**, has come up from the underground to let long time fans know that he never fell off.

Chuck D.'s most recent venture is a compilation of a new league of artists who will soon be making waves in the rap industry as members of the Wreck League. The league consists of: **Five-O**, **Punk Barbarians**, **Bonne n Clyde**, **Son Slawta Melquan**, and **Public Enemy**.

Wreck League began as a baby project for Chuck D. who has been developing "these fine young people for the last two years and guarantee that they will make an impact..." Founder of Wreck League Wreckords, the highly public figure has adopted the title of Wreck League Coach.

*Destroy All Masters* allows Chuck D. to run the show from the producer's seat once again. Chuck D. has produced several of rap music's most memorable jams such as "Rebel Without a Pause" and "Night of the Living Baseheads." *Destroy All Masters* is proof that the brother has not lost all of his juice. Hmm, maybe just a little.

Don't get me wrong, the album has some phat tracks. Still, of the thirteen cuts, only a few could be considered smooth and stand out from the rest. There are two main ingredients that make a song-a phat beat and lyrics. Several examples of this are "Pride" by **Public Enemy**, **Son Slawta's** "It Goes On," and "Manhunt" by **Five-O**. Other tunes have one or the other making it in-

complete.

The overall theme of *Destroy All Masters* promotes a pro-black image that can be considered somewhat controversial, depending on the listener.

"Pride," one of the better cuts on the record, speaks mainly about black pride and reminisces about how times have changed, but reiterates how black men and women

## L u s c i o u s T u n e s

By Mike Garry  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

**Luscious Jackson**  
*Natural Ingredients*  
(Grand Royal)

Asphalt sweating and culture clashing, "Chico and the Man" and Sesame Street meet **Miles Davis** and the **Beastie Boys**. Latin percussion played on the post-modern eardrum of sample connoisseurs.

That's what the second release by NYC's **Luscious Jackson** sounds like. Perhaps you saw them down on Broadway, playing at Tower Records or on "Saturday Night Live." It matters not. Jill Cuniff and Gabby Glaser have been writing songs together for only a short time, but after last year's *Searching for Manny*, *Natural Ingredients* was bound to be a killer, and it is.

The mood enhancing agents in these manic compositions should be gauged for age, for too much will throw you for a trip of consequences that may inflame your groove tubes to overdrive. This group should be on "Soul Train" reruns.

The most recognizable song of this opus is the soul-socking "City Song" which turned many a head last year on alternative radio and implicated the band in their Grand Royal association (drummer Kate Schellen-

should retain its pride.

Chuck D. raps, "Back in the day when our peeps had to fight for our rights/ To make the day feel alright/ But there is no is without a was/ No 'bout to be, but or because/ I got my pride." He continues, saying, every black person should study their cultural history.

This album deserves top grades for the effort that was put into it.

back was the **Beastie Boys'** drummer before they broke through with "Licensed to Ill" all those years ago).

Now the group has come into its own and earned a stamp of approval from everyone from **R.E.M.** to **Slick Rick**. The song features a tasty sample by the original Superfly Soundman Curtis Mayfield from his *On and On*.

The second single from *Natural Ingredients* is the MTV buzz bin flavor of the month. "Deep Shag," is an atmospheric, ethereal indulgence in which the group temporarily put their hip-hop on the back burner and play like new wave starlets, but the effect is no less gratifying.

However on the surface one can only attain a certain level of perfection. All of members of Wreck League, excluding **Public Enemy**, have potential. But, only a few of the artists such as **Five-O**, **the Punk Barbarians**, and **Son Slawta Melquan** may be creating noise and making their way to the top in the hip-hop game. The others are at the back of the line. I hope they prove me wrong.

"Energy Sucker" furthers the cause with the soon to be immortal line, "I'm a goddess, not your mother."

Mobile men isn't the only thing that turn on the members of **Luscious Jackson**. They have a serious vinyl fetish that rivals that of Eddie Vedder's spinning black circles as evidenced by the finale "LP Retreat" that sports more verbal wisdom: "Forget how the culture divides us, this is the culture of dusty old vinyl, this is the tribal record of love."

"Tribal record of love." Yeah that sums this one up. So go out and get some love but for God's sake wear your fake fur motorcycle helmet.



Luscious Jackson

# COMING UP FROM THE SLUM: **downset**

By Ary Nussbaum  
INSIDER EDITOR

Seldom does a band with sincere social messages come along, speaking from experience, not theory.

"Coming straight from the L.A. concrete" is **downset** consisting of the messenger, Rey Anthony Oropeza; bassist, James Morris; drummer, Chris Lee; and guitarist, Ares. With lyrics describing shit that goes down every day, i.e., L.A.P.D. beat downs and shake downs, drive-by shootings, racism, and misogyny, the meaning of hardcore music is being changed by **downset**.

Rey's furious, staccato raps, coupled with hip-hop grooves and metal leads define the sound captured on its self-titled debut on Mercury Records.

Before its Jan. 27 gig at CBGB's, **downset's** Rey took some time out to chill with *The Insider*.

Talking about racism, he realizes no matter how great his audience, it's a next to impossible problem to surmount, yet, Oropeza vows to fight on, to keep writing about it because it is prevalent throughout the world.

For the prognosticators that say "shut up and play your music, you're not an activist, you're a rock star," go back to Disneyland. With an authenticity that is unparalleled by other wannabe rock star activists that don't have the life experience, set isn't going to stay down.

One pet peeve of Rey is how uninformed media compare **downset** to **Rage Against the Machine**.

## Madball, others, Set NYC Off

By Ary Nussbaum  
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Has hardcore returned to the Bowery? It's doubtful, though on Jan. 27 the clock was turned back at CBGB's as the trio of **Madball**, **Dog Eat Dog**, and **downset** wound its way up the East Coast and into the genre's womb.

Three independent bands opened for the headlining acts. I missed the first band but the last two, **Bulldoze**, and **Combine** had good sets, though the former tried too hard to sound like **Biohazard** and **Madball**.

Before getting into the show, the three bands should be given due respect for keeping ticket prices down. According to the tour manager, \$8 was the maximum ticket price and in many cities was even lower. Second, there were no egos on this tour as the bands rotated the order of who went on every night.

West Coast wrecking crew **downset** was the first headliner to go on and the enthused crowd started to mosh as soon as the band's Metal Radio chart topper "Anger" began. Enthralling New York with mind provoking, furious raps, and burning riffs found on its self-titled album, as

"They're not from L.A. Zack [de la Rocha] is from Orange County. Tom Morello and the other guys are from Chicago. How can they say they are an L.A. band? They were signed before us and that's it."

Following is a Q&A session between *The Insider* and the modest, articulate frontman.

*Insider: Do you see the same problems in other countries as you see in the U.S., racially and misogynistically?*

Oropeza: Racially, it's in the fiber of human nature to sometimes reduce yourself to barbaric nature. Racism is definitely a global problem. You go to places like Scandinavia where 98% of the people have Eurocentric features. The racial strife there is not a problem. It is in Germany because there is a large Turkish population.

In South America, since there is no Negro population or Asian population, you have a classless system, where the lighter you are, the more accepted you are.

Here, the media has a great affect on popular culture. When you have stupid movies like *Higher Learning*, one-sided, make the white man look like the villain movie, that sparks the primal nature. I was taught to hate whites and blacks. I'm half Native American and half European so I've been watching them clown each other.

The fact is, the more economically prosperous a country is, the less racial problems they have.

Misogynistic, go to a place like

Mexico City where Catholicism has had a very big impact on the culture, they have anti-women ideals.

Places where prostitution is legal have more sexual propaganda but what ends up happening is misogynistic violence isn't a problem like it is in America.

In primary indigenous cultures like South America and Africa they can't comprehend why a man would try to dominate a woman like that.

One out of three women in America being raped in their lifetime, that is a physical manifestation in a society that has invented the nature of women. This is not a sexual revolution.

*Insider: What drives you to write songs like "Ritual"?*

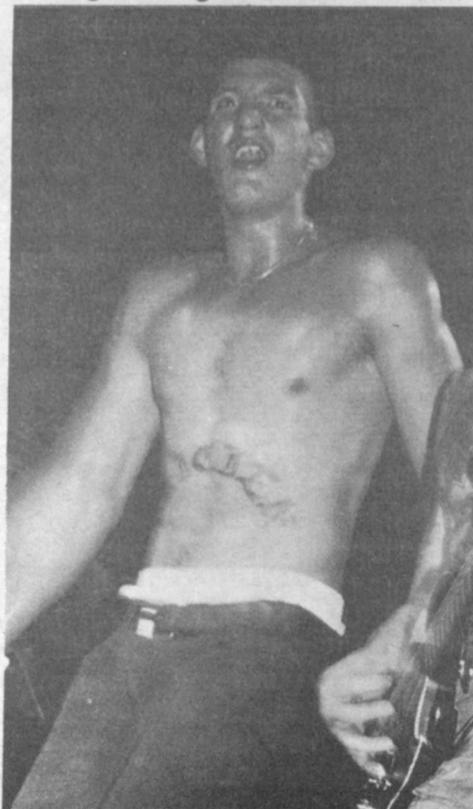
Oropeza: If you look at the American culture, women are dealing with the depths of denial. Look at the sexual propaganda-if you don't look or act a certain way, you're not going to be appreciated as a woman.

I have a lot of girlfriends that have been victims. Think about your mom, your lover, your girlfriend, your sister. To think that one out of three women will be subjected to psychological...

Check this out. A couple of days ago I was taking a shit in Conn. This man walks into the bathroom-I didn't see his face. While I'm doing my dance on the porcelain this man throws a newspaper under the thing. "What the hell? Is this guy trying to be nice?" I open up the newspaper and it says in black marker "Unlock your door and let's rub cocks."

well as helping drummer Chris Lee celebrate his 20th birthday, **downset** left the crowd gasping for air and hope for a new, kinder social regime.

**Dog Eat Dog** followed with its own



Freddy Cricien of Madball

scorching set and had the entire club rocking as it played songs off its 1993 EP *Warrant* and follow-up album *All Boro Kings*.

Crowd favorites "Dog Eat Dog," "World Keeps Spinnin'," and "Pull My Finger," enhanced the band's party-on reputation as the dance floor and stage was overflowing with gyrating young men and women.

Practically its living room, **Madball** hit the stage in a rage with "Set it Off." Adeptly mixing **Agnostic Front** songs (the band is a refuge for former **A.F.** members) with its own modernized hardcore cuts off *Set it Off* (Roadrunner) such as "New York City," "Down by Law," and "Get Out," hoarse-voiced Freddy Cricien entreated the "cool people" in the back to move up but was rejected by the poseurs.

While **Madball** was halfway through its set and kicking ass, the show was interrupted by a fight, forcing the club to pull the plug on the best band to come out of New York in recent years and even worse, hardcore shows.

What I felt was violated and offended. I'm a spiritual non-violent activist and I wanted to beat this man.

I wrote "Ritual" because I have a deep concern. My father was killed by the L.A.P.D. and my step-father was a Vietnam vet who subdued my mother to a lot of psychological abuse.

One out of every three women that you see on the street is a victim of sexual assault. That is no time to fuckin' bullshit. It needs direct physical action.

*Insider: Where were you during the L.A. riots?*

Oropeza: Right were Rodney King got beat up is 10 min. from my house and right next to our ex-guitarist Roy's house. Some of the cops that beat up Rodney King I'd see on a regular basis. I got sweated by a couple of them, all that bullshit.

What a Mexican is is half white because of the Irish, French and Castillian Spanish and half Native American. I had to take off to my friend's house who is Hungarian-Mexican and block off the whole street. We were strapped deep style. Any black fools that would have gone into the neighborhood would have gotten their heads blown off. You had to participate in actual guerilla warfare. That was no fuckin' joke.

I didn't go looting because I'm not into materialism. I thought about the song "Anger." On the day of the riots my heart was broken. I thought about a lot of the cops and how they really are corrupt people, evil people. They actually think they are protecting an order that is just. I've seen some actual guerilla fuckin' warfare. AK-47's blasting away at cops. I've seen the consequences of greed, of violent culture, of poverty. There were children running into stores who finally got a pair of shoes.

A lot of the black kids were fuckin' with the Mexican kids and Mexicans are the West Coast version of the Italians, real tight. They started busting caps on black folks who went running for their lives. There is a lot of shit that is not seen. There was a riot at the high school I went to when two black kids jumped a Mexican. They didn't pass Proposition 48 for nothing. We're deep.

*Insider: Were you expecting the riots?*

Oropeza: Fuck yeah. You think the streets were bad? The prisons were worse. The Aryan Brotherhood and the Mexican Mafia get along, they'll hang out, make sure the black people are in prison. On the West Coast there are horrifying, barbaric stories.

Be sure to pick up next week's issue of **The Beacon** for part two of the **downset** interview.

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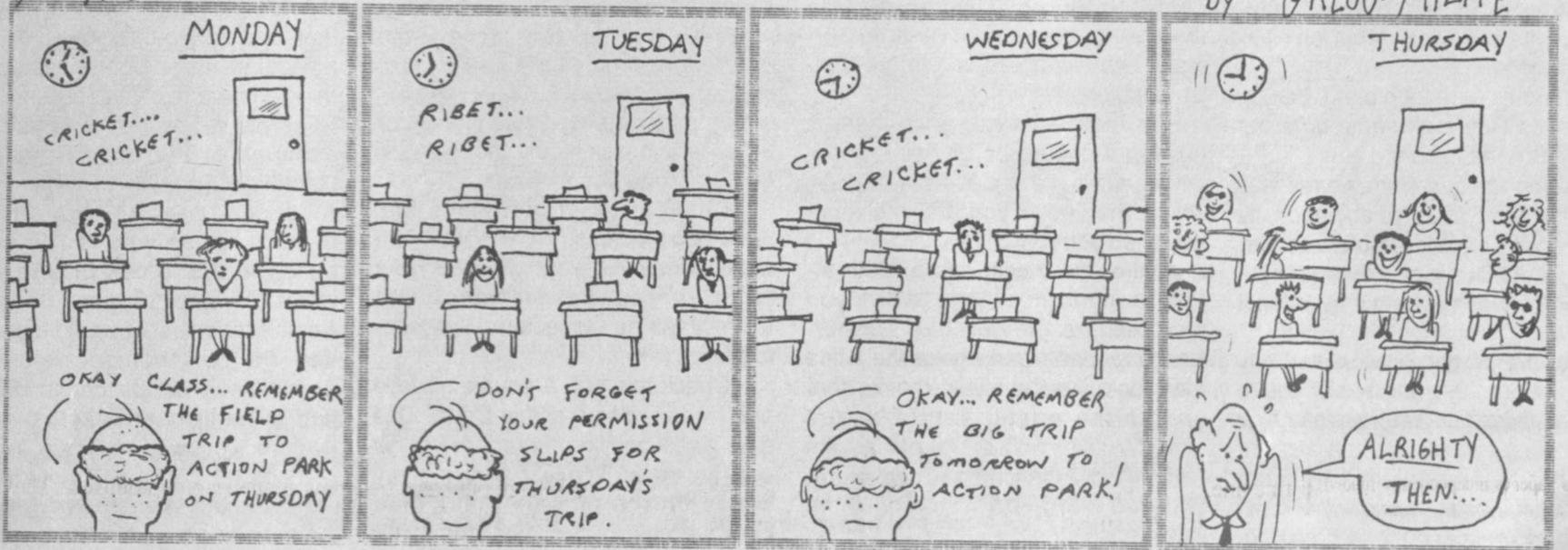
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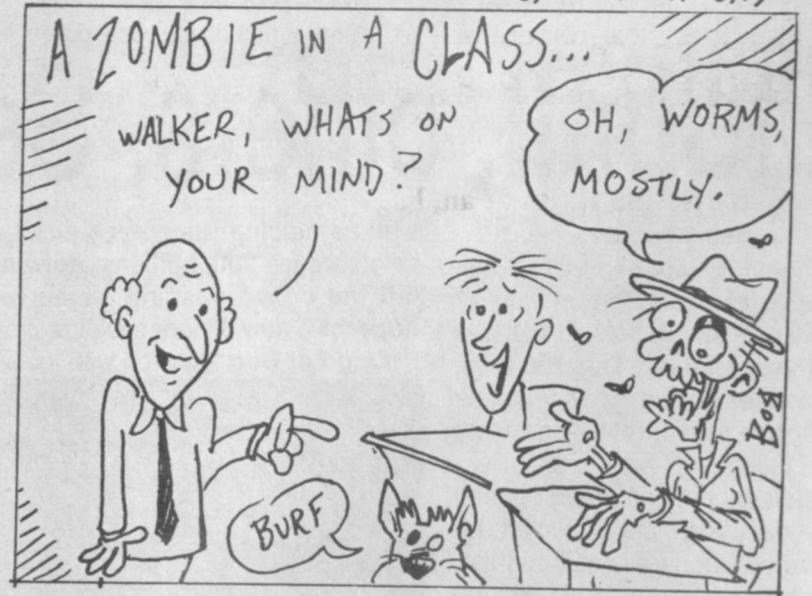
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